

F. E. HEALY UNDER CHARGES.

Connecticut Tax Commissioner Accused of Asking a Bribe.

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NEW HAVEN, Feb. 17.—Gov. Woodruff has been investigating a charge that Frank E. Healy, the State Tax Commissioner, had tried to get \$1,200 from Howard M. Steele for an appointment as County Commissioner. Steele accuses Healy, and his story is upheld by two witnesses. Gov. Woodruff is expected to act on the charges to-morrow.

Steele, who is City Collector of New Britain, said to-night: "Healy evidently thought that I was an easy mark. I have never yet paid for a political office, and I wouldn't pay for the best office there is."

Healy had been in the Legislature for nearly fifteen years. He was political manager last Fall for Everitt Lake, who won the election as Lieutenant Governor.

GREENWICH BANK THE BUYER.

Will Build a Skyscraper on the Site of Engel's Chophouse.

It became known yesterday that the Greenwich Bank is the buyer of the property at the northeast corner of Thirty-fifth Street and Sixth Avenue, on which Engel's chop house is situated. The bank will erect a tall building on the site of the old chop house. The first rumors of the sale credited the purchase to the Astor Bank.

The old chop house, famous all over the country, will be razed on May 1, and Adam Engel, the proprietor, then proposes to retire from business. This marks the passage of another of the old time chop houses modeled after the public houses of England.

When the Calumet Club was a young organization it had a clubhouse on the south side of Thirty-fifth Street, opposite Engel's place. Fearing the failure of a club restaurant the members depended on Engel for their food, and as long as the club had its house there the waiters of the Engel chop house were kept busy far into the night.

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